

SENSOR ADHESION GUIDE

The FreeStyle Libre sensor is designed to be worn for up to 14 days. Please follow the instructions found in the user manual for skin preparation & application.



SKIN PREPARATION

Select an area of skin on the back of your upper arm that generally stays flat during normal daily activities (no bending or folding). Choose a site that is at least 2.5cm (1 inch) away from an insulin injection site. To prevent discomfort or skin irritation, you should select a different site other than the one most recently used.

SITUATION

SOLUTION

Oily surface

Soap, lotion, shampoo or conditioner might leave oily residue on the skin that may prevent the sensor from sticking properly.

To improve adhesion, clean the skin with soap and water, dry the skin, clean the skin with an alcohol wipe and allow skin to air dry (do not blow on it) before proceeding.

Wet surface

Moisture gets in the way of adhesion. Keep the skin dry prior to application.

To improve adhesion, dry the skin, clean the skin with an alcohol wipe and allow skin to air dry (do not blow on it) before proceeding.

Hairy surface

Hair gets in-between the skin & sensor adhesive.

The site selected on the back of the upper arm should be clean-shaven.

TIPS

This information is provided for your convenience. You may find it helpful to use the following products to support adhesion. Everyone's skin is different; you may need to try various products to find the one that is right for you. Consult with your healthcare provider to decide on the best option.

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BRAND

DESCRIPTION

Preparing the skin

Coloplast Prep Barrier Wipe	Clear film forms a breathable barrier protecting against skin irritants such as adhesives (<i>coloplast.us</i>)
3M Cavilon No Sting Barrier Film	Alcohol-free barrier film intended to protect skin from body fluids, adhesives and friction. It is composed of a unique 3M terpolymer that forms a breathable, transparent protective coating on the skin. (<i>3m.com</i>)
Convatec Sensi Care Sting Free Skin Barrier	Creates a breathable barrier that protects the skin from damage caused by adhesives, body waste and friction (<i>convatec.com</i>)
Reliject Pre-injection Wipes	Individually wrapped alcohol wipes, 2ply (<i>reliancemedical.co.uk</i>)
Razor	Used for shaving off unwanted body hair (<i>gillette.com</i>)

Helping the sensor to stick

Torbot Skin Tac	A hypo-allergenic and latex-free "tacky" skin barrier (<i>torbot.com</i>)
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Removing the sensor

Baby Oil	Soft moisturizer (<i>johnsonsbaby.com</i>)
Remove Adhesive Remover	Removes adhesive residue on skin (<i>smith-nephew.com</i>)
UNI-SOLVE Adhesive Remover	Formulated to reduce adhesive trauma to the skin by thoroughly dissolving dressing tape and appliance adhesives (<i>smith-nephew.com</i>)